

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Molecules Associated with Plants*

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Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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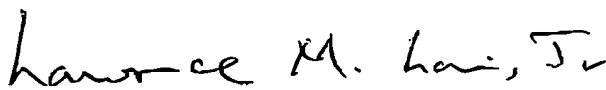
Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing an Appeal Brief be extended 1 month from the filing of the Notice of Appeal dated July 3, 2002, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$110 for a one (1) month extension for a large entity. Applicants request that the \$110.00 fee for the extension of time be charged to Deposit Account No. 13-4125. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-4125, referencing docket number 38-21(15726)B. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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